A RESOLUTION TO BE SUBMITTED BY LEGISLATOR KOZUB

Re: Asking the State to pass Legislation restricting employment of sex offenders

WHEREAS, currently New York State restricts where those who have been convicted of a sex offense can live so as to limit their interaction with minor children; and

WHEREAS, yet the State does not have any restrictions on where a convicted sex offender may be employed or what businesses they may own or operate; and

WHEREAS, due to this oversight sex offenders have been found to be employed at places where they are exposed to minor children such as daycare facilities, camps and other amusement facilities where minor children congregate; and

WHEREAS, the Erie County Legislature now has on the table of the Legislature a proposed Local Law that would create exclusion zones or prohibitions in employment for those convicted of a sex offense so as to limit their interaction with children at their place of employment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that this Honorable Body requests that the New York State Legislature consider drafting legislation that will address the issue of the employment of sex offenders thereby limiting their contact with minor children, and be it further

RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be sent to New York Governor Andrew Cuomo and all of the members of the Western New York State Legislative Delegation.

FISCAL IMPACT: None for the Resolution